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THE FIFE COUNCIL - KIRKCALDY AREA COMMITTEE – KIRKCALDY - BLENDED

Small Committee Room, 1st Floor, Town House, Kirkcaldy

25th April, 2023

2.00 pm – 3.20 pm

PRESENT: Councillors Ian Cameron (Convener), Lesley Backhouse, Alistair Cameron, Rod Cavanagh, Judy Hamilton, James Leslie, Kathleen Leslie, Carol Lindsay, Julie MacDougall, Nicola Patrick and David Ross.

ATTENDING: Julie Dickson, Community Manager (Kirkcaldy), Izzy Scott-Trim, Community Development Team Manager (Kirkcaldy), Communities and Neighbourhood Services; Lesley Craig, Lead Consultant, Traffic Management, Andy Paterson, Lead Consultant, Car Parking Strategy & Operations, Keith Johnston, Technician Engineer, Traffic Management, Roads and Transportation Services and Lesley Robb, Lead Officer - Committee Services, Finance and Corporate Services.

ALSO ATTENDING: Lynn Barker, Associate Director of Nursing, Community Care Services and Jacquie Stringer, Locality Planning Co-ordinator, Health and Social Care Partnership.

APOLOGY FOR ABSENCE: Councillor Blair Allan

39. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

No declarations of interest were submitted in terms of Standing Order No. 7.1.

40. MINUTE OF MEETING OF KIRKCALDY AREA COMMITTEE OF 7TH FEBRUARY, 2023.

The Committee considered the minute of the Kirkcaldy Area Committee meeting of 7 February, 2023.

Decision

The Committee agreed to approve the minute.

41. HEALTH & SOCIAL CARE LOCALITY PLANNING – KIRKCALDY

The Committee considered a report by the Associate Director of Nursing, Community Care Services providing an overview of the Health & Social Care (H&SC) Locality Planning for Kirkcaldy. The information presented was intended to provide background and context around the aims for localities, including relevant/

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relevant service providers across different sectors, at all levels coming together to improve health and wellbeing outcomes.

Decision

The Committee:

1. noted the information contained in the report;
2. agreed that the Health and Social Care Partnership would provide six monthly reports to the Committee, containing updates on locality planning and joint areas of interest between H&SC partnership and community planning partners; and
3. made suggestions for additional data and information to be included in further update reports.

42. SUPPORTING THE PLAN 4 KIRKCALDY - KIRKCALDY CCTV

The Committee considered a report by the Head of Communities and Neighbourhoods requesting agreement for an allocation of £57,279.36, from the underspend in the Local Community Planning Budget from 2022/23, to support the introduction of a self-sufficient CCTV system covering the Kirkcaldy area.

Decision

The Committee approved the total of £57,279.36, from the underspend in the Local Community Planning Budget from 2022/23, to support the introduction of a self-sufficient CCTV system covering the Kirkcaldy area.

43. PROPOSED PARKING RESTRICTIONS - VICTORIA HOSPITAL, KIRKCALDY

The Committee considered a report by the Head of Roads and Transportation Services detailing proposals to introduce and amend parking restrictions on the roads surrounding the Victoria hospital and Whyteman's Brae Day hospital in Kirkcaldy.

Decision

The Committee:

1. agreed to the promotion of a Traffic Regulation Order (TRO) to introduce and amend the parking restrictions detailed in drawings nos. TRO22_12/1; TRO22_12/2 RevA; and TRO22_12/3 RevA with all ancillary procedures, as detailed in the appendices to the report; and
2. authorised officers to confirm the Traffic Regulation Order within a reasonable period, unless there were objections.

44. PEDESTRIAN ZONE - HIGH STREET, KIRKCALDY

The Committee considered a report by the Head of Roads & Transportation Services in relation to the proposal to make permanent the current Experimental Traffic Regulation Order for the Pedestrian Zone timings for exempted vehicles in High Street, Kirkcaldy.

Decision

The Committee:

1. agreed to make the Experimental Traffic Regulation Order (ETRO) for the pedestrian zone timings for exempted vehicles in High Street, Kirkcaldy permanent as detailed in drawing nos. TRO22_32/PZ and TRO22_32/OPR with all ancillary procedures, as detailed in the appendices to the report; and
2. authorised officers to confirm the TRO within a reasonable period.

45. REDUCED PRICE CAR PARK SEASON TICKET

The Committee considered a report by the Head of Roads and Transportation Services providing an update on the operation of the reduced price car park season ticket in Kirkcaldy. The Committee were asked to support an extension of the reduced price car park season ticket until 31 March, 2024.

Decision

The Committee agreed;

1. to continue to support the reduced price season ticket in selected car parks in Kirkcaldy until 31 March, 2024; and
2. that the funding for the exercise would be taken from the budget allocated to Kirkcaldy Area for devolved parking initiatives.

46. SUPPORTING THE LOCAL COMMUNITY PLAN – KIRKCALDY AREA LOCAL BUDGETS 2022/25

The Committee considered a report by the Head of Communities and Neighbourhoods providing an update on the 3 year budget allocations agreed by the Committee in March, 2022. Members were also asked to agree an increase to the allocation of funding to Growing Kirkcaldy from £4K to £6K for financial years 2023-24 and 2024-25.

Decision

The Committee:

1. noted the content of the report which provided an updated position on the budget allocations agreed in March, 2022; and
2. agreed the increase to the allocation of funding for Growing Kirkcaldy from £4K to £6K for financial years 2023-24 and 2024-25.

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47. PROPERTY TRANSACTIONS

The Committee considered a report by the Senior Manager Property Services, advising of action taken in relation to property transactions, using the List of Officer Powers.

Decision

The Committee noted the content of the report.

48. KIRKCALDY AREA COMMITTEE FORWARD WORK PROGRAMME

The Committee considered a report by the Executive Director, Finance and Corporate Services supporting the Committee's consideration of the workplan for future meetings of Kirkcaldy Area Committee.

Decision

The Committee:

1. reviewed and noted the Kirkcaldy Area Forward Work Programme;
2. noted that a report on market assessment on the Multi-Storey Car Parks, Kirkcaldy would now be issued in the form of a briefing note to Members and circulated in the next few weeks;
3. suggested that officers be approached to submit a future report to the Committee on the feasibility of simplifying car parking charges within the Kirkcaldy Town Centre Area; and
4. agreed that a Members Workshop be arranged to facilitate discussion on content of the forthcoming School Attainment and Achievement Annual report.